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DEATHS

May 25-31 John Clayborn 1922-2021

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Thursday, May 27 at 10 a.m.

Marijean Timmons 1947-2021

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Calvin Burgess Shelton 1936-2021

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, Storey Chapel, on Friday, May 28 at 7 p.m. Burial followed at Horsecreek Church of God Cemetery, Afton, Tennessee.

Iva J. Sanders

1943-2021

Funeral services were held at Grant Memorial Park, Marion, on Friday, May 28 at 2 p.m.

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INDIANA QUIZ Indiana Quick

Quiz How well do you know the movie "Hoosiers"?

1. The name of the fictional Indiana town is a/ Hickory b/ Hillsdale d/ Henderson d/ Highland

- The new coach is a/ Coach Donovan b/ Coach Downey c/ Coach Dale d/ Coach
- 3. The player who makes the winning shot in the final game is a/ Johnny b/ Jimmy c/ Jersey d/ Jonesy

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Remembering the fallen

Volunteers place flags on graves at Marion National Cemetery

By Ed Breen

We call it Memorial Day today, a three-day national holiday weekend that marks the start of the summer season and, of course the Indy 500 here in Indiana.

But it began as Decoration Day in those dark days of the American Civil War, a day set aside in spring to place flowers and memorials on the graves of those thousands of Americans who had recently died.

That tradition continues at some cemeteries across the country, particularly the 155 National Cemeteries scattered across 44 states. Among them is the Marion National Cemetery, laid out on the 61-acre rolling landscape east of the Marion



A volunteer strolls among the graves at the Marion National Cemetery, looking for graves that still need an American flag placed upon it. Photo by Ed Breen

Veterans Administration Medical Center on East 38th Street in southeast Marion.

Since it was established as a final resting place at what was then called the Soldiers Home 131 years ago, the cemetery has accommodated the needs of

American veterans. Today, just a few less than 12,000 men and women are buried here. Among them are three recipients of the Medal of Honor for valor in their military service.

On Saturday of the Memorial Day weekend, about 200 men, women and children donated some of their time to assure that an American flag would flutter in front of each headstone.

Dave Drake, supervisor of the Marion cemetery, which is administratively linked with the Dayton, Ohio, cemetery, said he had 77 volunteers signed up late

last week, but clearing skies and a brisk morning brought out at least twice that many to place the flags.

Scouts, church groups, the Patriot Guards members and families and individuals assembled at 9 a.m. Saturday and disbursed across the grounds.

Kenworthy dedicates life to helping local children

By Sean Douglas

While CASA of Grant County plays an integral role in the safety and security of children in need across Marion and surrounding areas, the organization would not be able to do its work without Grant Superior Court 2 Judge Dana Kenworthy.

A graduate of Oak Hill, Ball State University, and IU Law School, Kenworthy has served as the judge for Grant Superior Court 2 since 2010. Before that, she worked as a deputy prosecutor for 10 years, trying cases mostly centered around domestic violence, juvenile delinquency, sex

crimes, child abuse, and

neglect. However, throughout her career in law, her heart has always been with children. As both a prosecutor and a judge, Kenworthy has dedicated her life to ensuring all children, regardless of upbringing or circumstances, are able to live fulfilling lives in a loving and caring environment.

"For me, the drive was to assist people needing help," Kenworthy said. "Typically, victims of crime - children and families going through tough situations— that is where my calling is."

Grant Superior Court 2 oversees all the child wel-

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Brittany Howey (left) with Zaniethia Jones (right) and her daughter, Journee, participate in the ceremony. Photo by Sean Douglas

Habitat breaks ground on 55th Marion home

By Sean Douglas

Over the last 28 years, Habitat for Humanity of Grant County has been dedicated to eliminating substandard housing in Grant County and striving to build simple, decent, and affordable homes for residents with a dream of homeownership through a zero-interest mortgage financing pro-

On Thursday afternoon, Habitat for Humanity held a groundbreaking ceremony for its 55th home, continuing its long-standing tradition of providing homes for those in need.

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Marion bus schedule back to normal

Starting June 2, City of Marion Transportation will resume regular routes and schedules.

For a 15-month period in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Marion Transit only provided service to riders who would call at least 24 hours in advance. For months, there were two to four passengers on the bus at a given time. As COVID cases were monitored, max capacity increased slightly and eligible essential services expanded, but rides remained call-ahead.

Transportation employees disinfected buses from the inside out throughout each

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